Vacancies in Navodaya Vidyalayas

1973. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Navodaya Vidyalayas functioning in the country, State-wise, till date;

(b) the number of vacancies of Principals/Vice-Principals and teachers, till date, have not been filled up, indicating since when these are lying vacant; State-wise and District-wise;

(c) what are Government's future plans/time-limit fixed for filling up vacant posts; if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the number of new Vidyalayas to be opened during 1999-2000?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) 404 JNVs have been sanctioned in the country whereas 394 are functioning at present. A list indicating the Navodaya Vidyalayas sanctioned State-wise and District-wise is enclosed as statement. (*See* below)

(b) and (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(d) At present no mature proposal for opening of Vidyalayas is pending with Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti. If proposals are received during 1999-2000 the same will be examined as per norms for opening of new Vidyalayas.

Statement

State-wise Details of JNVs sanctioned/uncovered districts

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Total No. of Distts at the commencement of VIII Plan	JNVs sanctioned	Balance Distts	% coverage w.r.to (col. 3)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	23	22	01	96%
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	11	08	03	73%
3.	Bihar	50	48#	03	98%
4.	Gujarat	19	12	07	63%
5.	Haryana	16	15	01	94%
6.	Himachal Pradesh	12	10	02	83%
7.	Kerala	14	12	02	86%
8.	Maharashtra	33@	28	05	85%
9.	Sikkim	04	03	01	75%
10.	Nagaland	07	04	03	57%
11.	Uttar Pradesh	63	52	11	83%
12.	Delhi	04@	02	02	50%
13.	Assam	23	18	05	78%
(100% Coverage Made)					
1.	Orissa	13	16#	—	100%
2.	Goa	02	02	—	100%
3.	Jammu & Kashmir	14	14	—	100%
4.	Karnataka	20	21#	—	100%
5.	Manipur	08	08	—	100%

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Total No. of Distts at the commencement of VII Plan	JNVs sanctioned	Balance% Distts	coverage w.r.to (col. 3)
6.	Mizoram		03	03	— 100%
7.	Andaman and Nicobar		02	02	— 100%
8.	Dadra and Nagar Haveli		01	01	— 100%
9.	Daman and Diu		02	02	— 100%
10.	Lakshadweep		01	01	— 100%
11.	Pondicherry		04	04	— 100%
12.	Madhya Pradesh		45	45	— 100%
13	Chandigarh		01	01	— 100%
14.	Meghalaya		06	06	— 100%
15.	Tripura		03	03	— 100%
16.	Punjab		12	12	— 100%
17.	Rajasthan		28	29#	— 100%
	TOTAL		444*	404	46

*Excluding newly created districts and districts in West Bengal and Tamil Nadu.
@ Three extra schools have been taken for Delhi, Calcutta and Bombay and two for Chennai.
# One JNV each has been sanctioned in Naupada, Dhenkanal and Kendrapada in Orissa, Kota (Rajasthan), Mungar (Bihar) and Gadag (Karnataka) as a special case.

Felicitation to Salman Rushdie

1974. SHRI KARTAR SINGH DUGGAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Salman Rushdie has been granted visa to visit the country of his origin, if so, whether Government have any plan to suitably receive and felicitate an illustrious son of the soil;

(b) whether Government are unable to felicitate him due to political consideration; and

(c) if so, whether Sahitya Akademi has any plan to notice his visit adequately?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected.

(c) Sahitya Akademi has not taken any decision to felicitate Salman Rushdie during his visit.

Recognition of computer as a regular subject

1975. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that various schools in Delhi and in other States have introduced computers as a regular subject;

(b) whether it is also a fact that since the subject is not recognised by C.B.S.E., there is no provision for posts of Computer Teachers in these schools, both Government aided / Recognised schools; and